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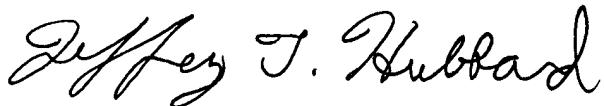
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 24, 2004, Applicant provisionally elects Claims 5-8 and 13-15 drawn to a product, constituting group II. Applicant reserves its rights in Claims 1-4, 9-12, 16, and 17.

Respectfully submitted,



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